City Council of the Mayor and Council of New Castle Special Meeting and Public Hearings Tuesday – February 24, 2009 – 6:00 and 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Council President Blest
Councilman Reese
Councilwoman Churchill
Councilwoman Petty
Councilman Gaworski

Also Present:

City Administrator Cathryn Thomas, City Treasurer Janet Carlin, Sgt. Rodgers, Ofc. Robert Elliott Singleton, Ray Krett of Goodwill Fire Co.

- 1. Special Presentation to Officer Robert Elliott Singleton. Council President Blest read the Resolution. Councilman Reese presented a Citation to Ofc. Singleton in honor of his heroic actions in saving a woman from house fire. A motion was made by Councilwoman Churchill to accept the Resolution. It was seconded by Councilman Reese and passed unanimously.
- 6:00 Public Hearing for the City Council to receive comments on proposed amendments to the "Tree Commission" ordinance and on a new proposed City Code section entitled, "Street Tree Ordinance". City Administrator Thomas gave an overview of the amendments to Ordinance No. 461. Mrs. Thomas also gave an overview of Ordinance No. 462 which creates a new section to the City Code entitled "Street Tree Ordinance".
- 6:30 Public Hearing for the City Council to receive comments on a proposed update to the 2003 City of New Castle Comprehensive Plan. Marian Hall of URS gave a presentation to Council regarding changes to the Comprehensive Plan. It was noted that a draft of the Plan and maps are available for review on the City's website.
 - 2. First and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 461, approving amendments to Chapter 74 of the City Code entitled, "Tree Commission". Councilwoman Churchill read the Ordinance to satisfy the First and Second Reading of the Ordinance. The Third Reading will take place at Council's next meeting, March 10, 2009.
 - 3. First and Second Reading Ordinance No. 462, approving the addition of a new Section to the City Code entitled, "Street Tree Ordinance". Councilwoman Churchill read the Ordinance to satisfy the First and Second Reading of the Ordinance. The Third Reading will take place at Council's next meeting, March 10, 2009.
 - 4. Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Churchill to adjourn to Executive Session. It was seconded by Councilman Reese and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill DiAngelo, City Clerk